

NH CONNECTIONS



Growing our children's future together

The New Hampshire Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS), Bureau of Child Development and Head Start Collaboration (BCDHSC) and the Department of Health & Human Services, Child Care Licensing Unit (CCLU) are proud to announce The NH Connections Information System.

The NH Connections Information System vision:

All families will find resources to make informed decisions about child care services that meet their needs. NH professionals, policy makers, and partners will use the system information to make data-driven decisions that improve professionalism and workforce quality to positively impact children.

The mission of the NH Connections Information System is to connect:

- Families seeking care with programs that best meet their unique needs;
- Programs and early childhood, afterschool and Head Start professionals with resources to growing professionally and meet licensing requirements; and
- Administrators and directors to an employees' professional requirements status.

How the NH Connections Information System benefits programs:

- Effortlessly market the program to families searching for child care, including linking them to you program website and social media.
- Update program information any time, such as vacancy status, open or closed status during an emergency, program rates, schedules, etc.
- Apply online for background checks and receive status updates.
- Search for and enroll in professional development opportunities.
- Track an individual's professional development hours.
- Track technical assistance (TA), coaching, mentoring, and consulting.
- Apply for an early childhood or afterschool credential.
- Enables NH to quickly adapt policies and practices to meet the needs of all programs and families during emergencies.

Future development:

- Apply for and confirm a program's QRIS status online.
- Explore the possibility of documenting child and family outcomes to tell the story of how well we are meeting their needs.
- Include information on related programs and services, such as foster care and home visiting.